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FOR DETECTING MULTIDRUG)	
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<i>TUBERCULOSIS</i> HAVING)	
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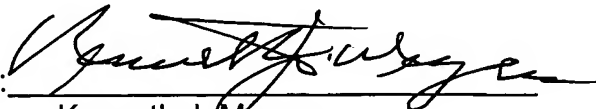
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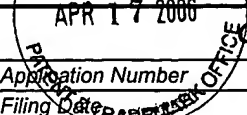
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